#### What is Rainwater Harvesting?

**Rainwater harvesting** is the capture, diversion, and storage of rainwater for plant irrigation and other uses. The primary concept is to slow down as much of it on the property as possible.





## What Qualifies for the Rebate?

**Rainwater harvesting** practices eligible for rebate include but are not limited to

- passive earthwork features consisting of surface, sub-surface, and conveyance features.
- gutters and downspouts if rainwater is being conveyed to an appropriately-sized landscape feature, e.g., basin, infiltration trench, or rainwater tank.
- active rainwater tank storage features consisting of below or above ground tanks and conveyance plumbing.



For more information on the Rainwater Harvesting Incentives Program and other rebate programs, call Tucson Water at 791-4331 or visit www.tucsonaz.gov/water/rebate.

If you require materials in an accessible format or in a language other than English, call Tucson Water at 791-4331 or City of Tucson TDD at 791-2639.

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# RAINWATER HARVESTING INCENTIVES Rebate Program

40% of Tucson's drinking water is used on landscapes – use rainwater instead.







#### **Rebate Levels**

Tucson Water will rebate qualifying residential rainwater harvesting system costs under two levels of funding up to a maximum of \$2,000.

Applicants can decide which funding level to apply for based on the amount of rainwater they plan to capture on-site and the type of practices they want to implement.

Tucson Water customers must meet the program guidelines in order to qualify for the rebate.

### **Program Requirements**

- The installation residence must receive water from Tucson Water.
- The rainwater harvesting system must be permanent.
- A project plan must be submitted with each rebate application to demonstrate the selection, use, and anticipated outcomes of the practices.
- Applicant must attend an approved Rainwater Harvesting Incentives Program workshop.

# Learn More at a Mandatory Workshop

The workshop will cover rainwater harvesting methods and best practices, as well as the requirements for the Rainwater Harvesting Incentives Program rebate.

Participants must bring a basic site plan (sketch or bird's-eye view) of their property to work on during the last hour of the class.

Upon completion of the workshop, participants will be able to:

- understand the application process for the rainwater harvesting incentive.
- distinguish between passive and active rainwater harvesting systems.
- calculate potential for site water supply, demand, and supplemental storage.
- develop a rainwater harvesting project plan.

A class schedule is available at www.tucsonaz. gov/water/rebate. To sign up for the workshop, call SmartScape at (520) 626-5161.

